

Short communication — Kurze Mitteilung — En bref

On the distribution of *Drepana curvatula* (Borkh.) (Lepidoptera : Drepanidae) in the Iberian Peninsula

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Further to the recent paper by Masó (1993) on the Drepaninae of Spain, I would like to add that I found *Drepana curvatula* (Borkh.) to be common at Villa St Martin near Ponferrada (latter approx. 42°32'N, 6°35'W), in late August 1989. The record was published in the Bulletin of the Amateur Entomologists' Society (Waring & Thomas, 1990). Continental readers may be interested to know that many British entomologists holidaying in Europe have published their records in this journal and continue to do so. There have been many articles recording the Lepidoptera, particularly butterflies, seen in continental Europe over the years and it is recommended that authors preparing distribution maps and the like do not neglect this source of information.

I would like to add that I found the distribution map of *Sabra harpagula* (Esp.) most interesting and timely. The moth is a listed British Red Data Book species, known in recent years only from the Wye Valley on the Gloucestershire/Monmouthshire border. I have just reviewed the species for the forthcoming Atlas of Britain's rarer macro-moths (Waring, in prep.) and shall be pleased to refer to the Spanish situation in the section on international distribution.

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